

▼ DAILY PRAYER ▼

Trinity 6 27 July - 2 August 2025

Hope Lutheran Church St. Louis, Missouri

This guide is offered to assist families, individuals, and small groups in the simple forms of daily prayer included in Lutheran Service Book (pages 294-298). Use the form in LSB appropriate for the time of day and follow the weekly resources in this guide for hymns, readings, and prayers. Pray and confess out loud as much from this order as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate.

▼ ORDER FOR PRAYER

Morning	LSB, p. 295	Early Evening	LSB, p. 297
Noon	LSB, p. 296	Close of the Day	LSB, p. 298

₩ HYMN LSB 562 - All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall

★ SCRIPTURE READING (from **Daily Lectionary**, *LSB*, pp. 299-304)

	Old Testament	New Testament	
Sun.	1 Samuel 12:1-25	Acts 22:30-23:11	
Mon.	1 Samuel 13:1-18	Acts 23:12-35	
Tues.	1 Samuel 14:47-15:9	Acts 24:1-23	
Wed.	1 Samuel 15:10-35	Acts 24:24-25:12	
Thu.	1 Samuel 16:1-23	Acts 25:13-27	
Fri.	1 Samuel 17:1-19	Acts 26:1-23	
Sat.	1 Samuel 17:20-47	Acts 26:24-27:8	

- **♣** APOSTLES' CREED *LSB*, inside back cover
- **★** LORD'S PRAYER LSB, inside back cover
- **₽** PRAYERS

Collect for Trinity 6

Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

▼ FESTIVALS & COMMEMORATIONS

28 July - Johann Sebastian Bach, Kantor

29 July - Mary, Martha, and Lazarus of Bethany

30 July - Robert Barnes, Confessor and Martyr

31 July - Joseph of Arimathea

★ CONCLUDING PRAYERS - Order of Prayer in LSB

BOOK OF CONCORD READING Trinity 6

PERFECT RIGHTEOUSNESS

Jesus says that our righteousness must be perfect, but by our own lives we cannot be perfectly right with God. In Christ, however, our righteousness is perfect, because it is Christ's righteousness. This from the Formula of Concord, Article III:23:

The Holy Spirit is given to those who, as has been said, are righteous before God (that is, have been received into grace) out of sheer grace because of the only mediator, Christ, through faith alone, apart from all works and merit. He renews them and sanctifies them, and he creates in them love toward God and the neighbor. However, because the beginnings of renewal in this life remain incomplete and sin continues to dwell in the flesh even of the reborn, therefore the righteousness of faith before God consists of the gracious reckoning of Christ's righteousness, apart from any addition of our works; it consists in the fact that our sins are forgiven and covered and are not reckoned to us (Rom. 4[:6–8]).

(Kolb, R. 2000. The Book of Concord: The Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Fortress Press: Minneapolis)

LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK'S DIVINE SERVICE

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

3 August 2025

This "mini-Bible study" is included for your use in personal devotions or with friends during the coming week as you prepare to hear God's Word next Sunday. The questions provided after each of the Scripture texts are intended for your thought and reflection.

OLD TESTAMENT READING - Genesis 2:7-17

- 1. Out of what did the Lord God create Adam? How does this fact humble you?
- 2. How did God give life to Adam? Look up Genesis 1:2 and Ezekiel 37:9-10. What did God use to give life in these passages?
- 3. In the Nicene Creed we confess: "I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life." How does this confession help you understand the previous passages correctly?
- 4. For what purpose did God place Adam in the Garden of Eden? Since God gave Adam his work *before* sin and evil entered the world, is it right to say that work is "a necessary evil"? What meaning does this passage give to your work? How do you "assist" God in your work?

PSALMODY - Psalm 33:1-11

- 1. To what activity do verses 1-3 exhort all Christians to do? What is the reason for this activity, given in verses 4-5?
- 2. According to verses 6-9, how did God create the world? What response does this bring from us?
- 3. What hope do verses 10-11 give in the face of the world's chaos and confusion?

EPISTLE - Romans 6:19-23

- 1. Dr. Martin Luther compared Christians to donkeys. He said that what matters is who is riding and leading the donkey. Are Satan and sin riding and leading you? Or are God and His righteousness in Jesus leading you? How does this passage answer these questions?
- 2. Learn verse 23 by heart. Wages are just reward for labor. What is our "just reward" for our sin? A gift is free and undeserved. How is eternal life in Christ Jesus a gift?

HOLY GOSPEL - Mark 8:1-9

- 1. How did Jesus show His compassion on the crowd that had listened to Him teaching for three days?
- 2. How many loaves of bread were there? How many fish? How many people to feed? What was the result of Jesus' feeding?
- 3. How does Jesus teach us today? How does Jesus feed us today? Notice how teaching and feeding (Word and Sacrament) go together.